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Virtual-Strategy Magazine

North Carolina Unveils Cutting Edge Social Media Archive Using ArchiveSocial

The State Archives of North Carolina, on Tuesday, unveiled a first-of-its-kind social media archive to an audience of leading archivists, librarians, and records managers at the Best Practices Exchange Conference in Annapolis. Read more [here](#).

News & Observer

N.C. state employees choir has unmusical name, beautiful harmonies

During a campaign to celebrate diversity several years ago, the state Department of Cultural Resources looked for a project to connect employees who might not otherwise get to know one another. The notion of a choir struck a chord that resounds still. Read more [here](#).

Beach Carolina Magazine

Mountain Gateway Increases Fall Visitation

Visitation to Mountain Gateway Museum in Old Fort for October 2012 was up 79.3 percent over October 2011. The three day Oktoberfest, an increase in school groups and more on-site weddings all contributed to the increased October numbers. Read more [here](#).

The Pilot (Southern Pines)

Symphony Announces Photo Essay Contest

The North Carolina Symphony announces the addition of a special interdisciplinary education concert as part of programming around "Freedom!," in which the symphony honors the 150th anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation. Read more [here](#).

Speed TV/Automotive Lifestyle

VINTAGE: 'Impressive' Porsche Exhibit Coming To Raleigh

"If you didn't go to Rennsport, you have to go to this," said veteran auto journalist and collector-car curator Ken Gross. "Even if you did go to Rennsport, you have to go to this." "This" is a great collection of fantastic Porsches, brought together at the North Carolina Museum of Art in Raleigh from Oct. 13, 2013 through January 20, 2014. Read more [here](#).

Cybergrass (The Bluegrass Music News Network)

PineCone Presents The Gathering: A Holiday Concert

Gorgeous voices and crystalline harmonies backed by an all-star string-band, The Gathering breathes new life into traditional Christmas music and features new songs of the season. Americana music talents Rhiannon Giddens (Carolina Chocolate Drops), Laurelyn Dossett (Polecat Creek), Mike Compton (Nashville Bluegrass Band), Joe Newberry (Big Medicine) and Jason Sypher share a night of music as lively and eclectic as any good family gathering, from high-energy hoedowns to heartfelt remembrances of holidays at home. Read more [here](#).

Carolina Parent (print and web magazines)

[Celebrate Christmases Past at N.C. Historic Sites](#)

Step back in time to learn how families observed the holiday season centuries ago. Read more [here](#).

WRAL-TV5

[State donates land to art museum foundation](#)

The Council of State voted Tuesday to transfer 35 acres of state-owned property at the intersection of Blue Ridge Road and Wade Avenue to the North Carolina Museum of Art Foundation. Read more [here](#).

Fayetteville Observer

[Arts Council starts marketing campaign in effort to improve Fayetteville's image](#)

The local Arts Council has started a \$120,000 marketing campaign that seeks to improve Fayetteville's image in the state. The Arts Council of Fayetteville/Cumberland County began spending the money this fall in a series of ads in Our State magazine to highlight the city's culture, arts and theater opportunities. Read more [here](#).

Hinessight (blog)

[Let the Holiday Season Begin/Tree Lighting at the State Capitol: Downtown Raleigh \(December 6\)](#)

An annual North Carolina tradition continues as Gov. Bev Perdue and First Gentleman Bob Eaves host [the annual tree-lighting ceremony](#) at the State Capitol on Thursday, Dec. 6. Festivities will begin at 5 p.m., and the tree-lighting will be at 6:15 p.m. Santa and team mascots will also be on hand for the fun. The annual holiday open house will begin at 6:30 p.m. Read more [here](#).

News & Observer

[Five holiday events to add to your daybook](#)

A Civil War Christmas: Costumed interpreters decorate the kitchen using natural materials such as holly branches, magnolia leaves, cotton stalks, fruit and cranberry strands during this free holiday open house. Read more [here](#).